

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 THE HA 03345 021625Z

50

ACTION EB-07

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 AID-05 CIAE-00 COME-00 FRB-03

INR-07 NSAE-00 USIA-06 TRSE-00 XMB-02 OPIC-03 SP-02

CIEP-01 LAB-04 SIL-01 OMB-01 L-03 H-02 AGR-05 /065 W

----- 029656

R 021543Z JUL 75

FM AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6210

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE THE HAGUE 3345

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR, NL

SUBJECT: HR SUGAR HEARINGS

REF: STATE 147178

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS IN PARA 3 REFTEL FOLLOW:

A) DUTCH SUGAR MILLS ARE FULLY INTEGRATED AND HANDLE ALL PROCESSES BETWEEN SUGAR BEET AND REFINED SUGAR, ERGO, NO RAW SUGAR PRODUCED HERE. EXMILL PRICE OF RETAIL PACKED REFINED SUGAR IS 21 CENTS/LB.

B) 29 CENTS/LB.

C) TO EC COUNTRIES: 19.7 CENTS/LB

TO THIRD COUNTRIES: 16.4 CENTS/LB

WEIGHTED AVERAGE: 16.7 CENTS/LB

D) NEITHER OFFICIAL NOR INDUSTRY PROJECTIONS AVAILABLE.

BALIPARK GUESS IS PRODUCTION RANGE BETWEEN 750,000

AND ONE MILLION MT/YEAR DURING PERIOD. DUTCH EXPORTS

TO THIRD COUNTRIES PROBABLY NEGLIGIBLE. NO C-

SUGAR WILL BE PRODUCED. PRODUCTION WILL COVER DOMESTIC

NEEDS PLUS SMALL TO MODERATE EXPORTS TO NEIGHBORING

EC COUNTRIES.

E) THERE ARE TWO FIRMS PRODUCING SUGAR IN NETHERLANDS.

ONE SAYS THEY WILL INVEST 25 MILLION GUILDERS (10.4

MILLION DOLLARS) IN 1975/76 AND 1976/77 TO INCREASE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 THE HA 03345 021625Z

DAILY BEET PROCESSING CAPACITY BY 1,000 MT TO

24,500 MT. SUGAR PRODUCTION WOULD INCREASE FROM ABOUT 7.5 TO 7.8 MILLION POUNDS PER DAY. SAME FIRM INVESTED 55 MILLION GUILDERS IN 1974/75 TO PERMIT PROCESSING OF BEETS FROM INCREASED AREA IN 1975/76 (45,000 HA IN 1974/75 AND 52,000 HA IN 1975/76. TOTAL DUTCH BEET AREA 130,000 IN 1975/76.)

INFORMATION RE EXPANSION PLANS OF OTHER FIRM WILL BE SENT WHEN (AND IF) RECEIVED.

F) DUTCH PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION HAS BEEN STABLE AROUND 45 KG. AND IS NOT EXPECTED TO INCREASE SIGNIFICANTLY IN COMING FIVE YARS. DUTCH POPULATION (13.6 MILLION BEGINNING 1975) INCREASING BETWEEN 0.4 AND 0.7 PERCENT/YEAR.

G) NO. EC MAY ISSUE REGULATION PERMITTING SUGAR EXPORTERS TO UNDERTAKE LONG TERM COMMITMENTS.

H) NO NATIONAL SUGAR POLICY EXCEPT MINIMUM RPT MINIMUM RETAIL PRICE TO PROTECT SMALL RETAILERS FROM CHAINSTORE PRICECUTTING.
GOULD

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: SUGAR, US CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 02 JUL 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GolinoFR
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975THEHA03345
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750229-0814
From: THE HAGUE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750790/aaaadclu.tel
Line Count: 80
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EB
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 75 STATE 147178
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GolinoFR
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 06 JUN 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <06 JUN 2003 by SmithRJ>; APPROVED <09 JUN 2003 by GolinoFR>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: HR SUGAR HEARINGS
TAGS: EAGR, NL
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006